Telephone facilities in Kalahandi, Orissa

1284. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of towns proposed to be linked by STD facility in Orissa during 1988;

(b) whether the towns in Orissa, particularly district of Kalahandi proposed to be linked by STD facility in tribal areas and if not what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government to improve telephone services in Kalahandi district?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) The towns proposed to be linked by STD are Jeypore, Phulbani and Sundergarh.

(b) In addition to three towns in the tribal areas which are having STD facility, four more towns are planned to be provided with this facility during the current plan period.

(c) Following steps are proposed to be taken immediately to improve the telephone services in Kalahandi District:—

(i) Automatisation of two Manual Exchanges.

(ii) Replacement of 13 strowger Exchanges by Electronic Exchanges.

(iii) Opening of 20 PCOs.

(iv) Introduction of NSD/ISD service to Bhawanipatna.

New telephone connections

1285. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present number of pending applications for the installation of telephones in different cities in the country;

(b) by when new phone connections will be provided on all these pending requests; and

(c) how Government propose to meet the future demands for telephone connections?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) The waiting list of the Capital of the States and Union Territories as on 31.10.1988; and other cities having a waiting list of 4000 and above as on 31.3.1988 is given in Statement I and II (See below).

(b) the objectives of the Seventh Plan proposals of the Department are as under for meeting the demand by 1.4.1990.

	Meeting average demand for the period registered upto
Unit	
1. Metro Distt.	30-9-1986
2. Major Distt.	30-9-1986
3. Minor Distt.	1-4-1987
Circles	
1. MAX I (Large size Exchanges)	1-4-1987
2. MAX II (Medium size Exchanges)	1-4-1988
3. MAX III (Small & Manual Exchanges)	1-4-1990

The remaining waiting list shall be cleared progressively during the Eighth Plan period.

(c) Subsequent demand will be met by commissioning new exchanges and expansion of existing exchanges which will however depend on the availability of resources during the Eighth Plan period.

Statement-I

Name of the City	Waiting List as on 31-10-88
Delhi	2,15,793
Bombay	2,20,456
Calcutta	36,474
Madras	48,623
Srinagar	8,056
Chandigarh	16,386
Shimla	1,529
Lucknow	7,049
Patna	6,778
Bhopal	8,581
Jaipur	27,720
Gandhinagar	656
Hyderabad	37,578
Bangalore	45,479
Trivandrum	8,458
Bubneshwar	2,397
Shillong	778
Gangtok	177
Panjim	1,928
Kohima	183
Itanagar	55
Aizwal	736
Imphal	823
Agartala	644
Port Blair	453

Statement-II

Name of the City	Waiting list as on 31-3-1988
Ahmedabad	29694
Kanpur	5052
Pune	35532
Agra	5046
Baroda	14502
Coimbatore	6825
Ernakulam	5259
Indore	17999
Ludhiana	22632
Surat	20717
Faridabad	9174
Raipur	4592
Kohlapur	4083
Nagpur	13349
Ulhasnagar (Kalyan)	5027
Amritsar	8361
Jallandhar	9232
Jodhpur	5557
Ghaziabad	7456
Noida (Distt. Ghaziabad)	6878
Meerut	6153

Accelerating the Industrial Development Scheme in Madhya Pradesh

1286. SHRI SURENDRA SINGH THAKUR:
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether to accelerate the Industrial Development in the State of Madhya Pradesh district-wise schemes have been prepared and whether these schemes will be based on locally available mineral resources;